

Appl. No. 10/643,394
Reply to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated June 5, 2006

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

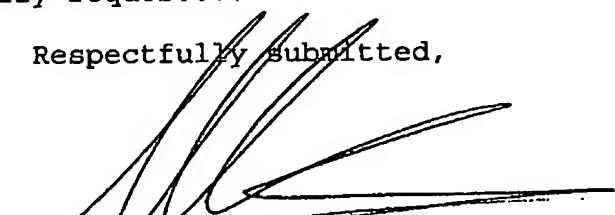
This AMENDMENT changes the designation of claims 7, 8 and 9 from "(Withdrawn-Previously Presented)" to "(Withdrawn)" as required by the "Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment," to avoid abandonment.

However, it is submitted that the "Notice" was unnecessary under the PTO OG Notice of 05 July 2005. The designation of claims 7, 8 and 9 in the AMENDMENT filed May 24, 2006 as "Withdrawn-Previously Presented" is a clear indication that these claims are "withdrawn" but were amended in an earlier amendment. The OG Notice lists "Withdrawn-currently amended" as an example of a designator that is clear and accurate. "Withdrawn- previously presented" is the next logical indicator and serves to inform the Examiner that a change was made, e.g. as in this case, to keep non-elected claims of corresponding subject matter to the elected claims for possible rejoinder.

Entry of the above and consideration along with the earlier filed AMENDMENT is respectfully requested.

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